REMARKS

Claims 5-18 are pending in this application. Claims 2-4 were previously canceled and claim 1 is canceled herein. Claims 5 and 6 have been amended herein. In view of these amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the claims.

All of the claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being upatentable over Allison in view of Hwang, et al. However, claim 1 has been canceled and independent claims 5 and 6 have been amended to require that the sidewall portions and the planes along which the sidewall portions are formed be perpendicular to the surface of the semiconductor body as taught by the invention and clearly shown in the FIGs. FIGs. 3-16 of Allison (e.g. the sloping sidewalls 17a) and FIGs. 1 and 4-12 of Hwang, et al. (the 110 plane of FIG. 4) clearly show that the sidewalls considered by the Examiner to meet the "first" and "second" sidewall portions are not perpendicular to the surface of the semiconductor body.

It is therefore respectfully submitted that independent claims 5 and 6 are now allowable over all references of record.

All of the remaining claims in the case depend directly or indirectly from claims 5 or 6 and are also therefore allowable.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance and requests that the Examiner pass the case to issuance. If the Examiner should have any questions, Applicant requests that the Examiner contact Applicant's attorney at 972-732-1001 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible. No fee is believed due in connection with this filing. However, should one be deemed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the appropriate fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1065.

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